## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Jonnie R. WILLIAMS

Serial No.: 09/668,144

Filed: September 25, 2000

For: IMPROVED METHOD OF TREATING

> TOBACCO TO REDUCE NITROSAMINE CONTENT, AND PRODUCTS PRODUCED

**THEREBY** 

Group Art Unit: 1731

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated November 2, 2000, for which a twomonth period for response has been set, i.e., to January 2, 2001, Applicant submits herewith a copy of the executed Declaration from parent application Serial No. 09/397,018 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(1).

Please charge \$ 65 for the surcharge (Small Entity) to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. If this amount is incorrect, please charge any additional amount or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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